



REPRESENTATIVE HENRY AQUINO

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

DISTRICT 38: WAIPAHAU



February 2017

Aloha friends and neighbors!

Kung Hee Fat Choy! I would like to extend my sincerest gratitude for the opportunity to serve our community and to tackle other issues which affect our state at large.

With session underway, we will begin hearing some of the bills that have been introduced. If you are interested in tracking certain bills, you are able to subscribe to updates using our measure tracker on our capitol website: capitol.hawaii.gov.

Also, in this newsletter, are stories about some great milestones and achievements occurring in our community. Lanakila Baptist Church will be celebrating its 50th anniversary. I would also like to congratulate some students from August Ahrens Elementary School for their achievements.

If you have any questions about any bills, the legislative process, or if you would like to just say hello, please feel free to contact me at 808-586-6520 or email repaquino@capitol.hawaii.gov.

With warmest aloha,

2017 Bill Introduction Highlights

Rep. Aquino has introduced over 30 bills this year relating to transportation, state facility needs in Waipahu and other community needs. Here are some bills to look out for this session:

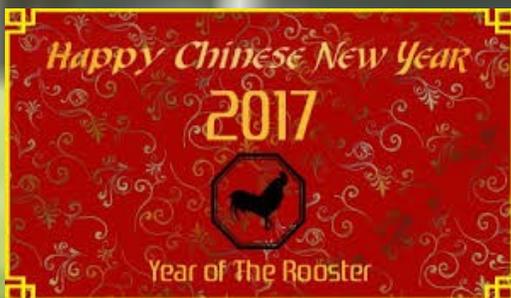
HB724– Increases the fines for violations of operating a vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicant

HB731– Appropriates funds for capital improvement projects for the benefit of the 38th Representative District.

HB902– Appropriates general funds for 6.0 FTE positions for the UH Pamantasan Council to promote access and diversity, including for programs and policies related to Philippine courses and Filipino students.

HB653– Appropriates funds as a grant-in-aid to the Honolulu Prosecuting Attorney to maintain and expand the weed and seed strategy, which is a collaborative effort to reclaim, restore, and rebuild communities.

HB1260– Requires county and municipal planning organizations to incorporate transportation mode share targets into county and municipal plans.



Lanakila Baptist Church & Schools Turns 50!



Lanakila Baptist Church

Lanakila Baptist Church will be celebrating its 50th anniversary! The first service was held on Wednesday, February 22, 1967 in the home of Robert Knutson on Kahuanui Street. The first Sunday service, held on February 26, took place in a portable classroom at Waipahu Intermediate School.

In 1968, Lanakila Baptist Church purchased an acre of land from the old Amfac Inc./Oahu Sugar Company on Waipahu Street. Construction was finished in 1971. Lanakila Baptist Church our Ewa Villages campus in 1979 and moved our Intermediate and High School to that facility on Renton Road.

Lanakila supports over 50 mission projects around the world. Since the mission program began in 1967, the church was given over \$3 million to start churches, Christian schools, medical clinics, food banks and post-secondary Christian colleges in more than 100 countries of the world. In 2001, the church began its Fall Food-Drive and have collected over 160,000 pounds of food for donation.

Courtesy: Lanakila Baptist Church

Students who attend the Lanakila Baptist School are taught the importance of giving back to the community. They give Shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child and participate in Jump Rope for Hearts.

The 50th Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, February 19th at 10:30 am.

August Ahrens Students Excel!



Audrey Dagdagan placed 3rd at the District Spelling Bee. The Spelling Bee is for Pearl City/Waipahu elementary schools and intermediate schools (Grades 4-8).



August Ahrens VEX-IQ Robotics Team 10932B won "Overall Team Excellence Award" at their tournament in December. The state competition will be held in February.

Tax season is right around the corner! Listed below are free tax preparation sites in the central/leeward areas:

**Honolulu Community Action Program
(Central District Service Center)**

99-102 Kalaloa Street, Aiea, HI 96701
Mondays & Wednesdays, 9:00am-3:00pm

Call (808) 488-6834

Start: 2/01 – End: 4/07

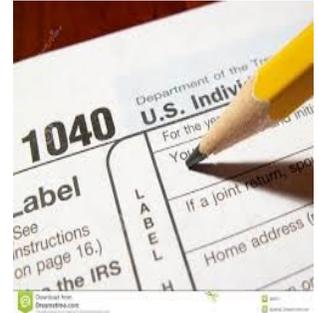


Hickam FCU – Pearlridge

98-1005 Moanalua Rd Ste 245, Aiea, HI 96701
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00am-3:00pm

Call (808) 423-1391

Start: 2/02 – End: 4/11



Leeward Community College

96-045 Ala Ike Street
Business Education Bldg. Room BE-229, Pearl City, HI 96782
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:30pm-4:30pm

Start: 2/02 – End: 3/23 and

Saturdays, 9:00am-noon

Start: 2/04 – End: 3/25

WALK-INS ONLY

**Honolulu Community Action Program
(Leeward District Service Center)**

85-555 Farrington Highway, Waianae, HI 96792
Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays

9:00am-3:00pm

Call (808) 696-4261

Start: 2/01 – End: 4/07



ALU LIKE – Nanakuli

89-137 Nanakuli Avenue, Waianae, HI 96792

ONLY Monday, Feb 13 and 27

10:00am-2:00pm

Call (808) 724-1278



INPEACE

87-790 Kulauku Street A129, Waianae, HI 96792

Mondays-Fridays 7:30am-4:30pm

Call (808) 380-4224

Start: 2/06 – End: 4/07

Helpful Information

LAWYER REFERRAL AND INFORMATION SERVICE (LRIS)

Members of the public who are seeking the services of an attorney may call, fax or email the Hawaii State Bar Association (HSBA) LRIS staff. After assessing the issues or concerns of the individual, the individual is given the names and contact information of two attorneys.

The attorneys on the LRIS panel are screened prior to being placed on the panel for liability insurance, past or pending disciplinary action, and subject matter specialization.

Oahu (808) 537-9140

Kauai Toll free (808) 240-0872

FAX (808) 521-7936

Hawaii Toll free (808) 930-0872

Email LRIS@hsba.org

Maui & Lanai Toll free (808) 270-0872

Note: Individuals who seek services may qualify for free legal services due to limited income. If the individual does qualify, the Lawyer Referral staff will direct the individual to the appropriate legal service provider.

LEGAL LINE

Attorneys are available via telephone to provide legal information on Wednesday evenings from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. The volunteer licensed pro bono attorneys will try to assess the issues and refer the callers to the appropriate HSBA staff, legal service provider or government agency which may be contacted for assistance. Legal advice is not provided. The Legal Line number in Honolulu is (808) 537-1868. Neighbor island constituents may call 1-888-609-5463.

ACCESS TO JUSTICE ROOMS (Honolulu District Court and Kapolei Family Court)

Access to Justice Rooms, which provide legal advice, have been established at the Honolulu District Court and the Kapolei Family Court Complex. Trained volunteer pro bono attorneys provide legal advice in limited areas to self-represented litigants.

HONOLULU

Kauikeaouli Hale

1111 Alakea Street, Third Floor

Honolulu, HI 96813

Mon., Wed., Fri. 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Phone: (808) 538-5629

FAMILY COURT

Ronald T.Y. Moon Kapolei Courthouse

4675 Kapolei Parkway

Kapolei, HI 96707

1st & 3rd Thursday, 11:30 a.m.— 1:30 p.m.

Phone: (808) 954-8290 for an appointment